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## Statewide Summary of Montana's 2004-05 Traffic Education Programs\*

(From the period of July 1, 2004– June 30, 2005)

### PROGRAM ENROLLMENT

166	Public high school districts were <b>eligible</b> to offer a traffic education program.
147	High school districts <b>offered</b> a state-approved traffic education program.
13,713	Public and private high school students were <b>eligible</b> to enroll in traffic education.
10,421	students <b>completed</b> traffic education.

### WHEN OFFERED

34	districts offered the program during <b>regular school hours</b> .
83	districts offered the program <b>after school hours</b> .
101	districts offered the program in the <b>summer</b> .

### PROGRAM FEES

46	high school districts charged a <b>fee</b> during the <b>first semester</b> ; <b>71</b> during the <b>second semester</b> ; and <b>99</b> during the <b>summer</b> . The <b>minimum</b> fee was <b>\$20.00</b> . The <b>maximum</b> fee was <b>\$340.00</b> . The <b>mode</b> fee was <b>\$150.00</b> .
27	districts charged <b>no fee</b> .
17	<b>plan</b> , for the upcoming school year and summer, to <b>increase the fee</b> charged students.

### PROGRAM CHARACTERISTICS

60	districts <b>granted credit</b> for successful completion of traffic education.
133	districts <b>screened students</b> for visual acuity.
77	districts employed a traffic and safety education <b>coordinator and/or supervisor</b> .
81	districts offered <b>pedestrian</b> safety instruction in the elementary and middle schools.
105	districts offered <b>school bus rider</b> safety instruction in the elementary and middle schools.
81	districts offered <b>bicycle</b> safety instruction in the elementary and middle schools.
56	districts offered traffic education for <b>adult</b> beginners.
140	districts provided traffic education for <b>students with disabilities</b> .
135	districts taught an instructional unit on sharing the road with <b>motorcycles</b> .
145	districts emphasized and required the use of <b>seatbelts</b> .
143	districts used Montana's current Traffic Education <b>Curriculum Guide</b> for its high school program.
25	districts conducted <b>follow-up research</b> on student performance (violations/accidents).
145	districts taught an instructional unit on the effects of <b>alcohol/drug</b> use in driving.
97	districts involved <b>parents</b> in the Traffic Education program.
118	districts participated in the <b>Cooperative Driver Testing Program (CDTP)</b> .
111	districts utilized <b>computers</b> in their program.
137	districts used <b>OPI Web site</b> to obtain traffic education information.

### NUMBER OF TEACHERS AND RATES OF PAY

32	<b>full-time</b> teachers were employed.
276	<b>part-time</b> teachers were employed.
\$8.00	per hour is the <b>minimum</b> rate paid.
\$52.00	per hour is the <b>maximum</b> rate paid.
\$15.00	per hour is the <b>mode</b> minimum rate paid.
\$15.00	per hour is the <b>mode</b> maximum rate paid.

### VEHICLES

267	<b>vehicles</b> were used in the program.
12	districts obtained their vehicles on a <b>free loan</b> basis.
8	districts obtained their vehicles on a <b>daily fee</b> basis.
49	districts obtained their vehicles on a <b>lease</b> or <b>rent</b> basis.
86	districts <b>owned</b> their vehicles.
1	<b>instructors owned</b> and provided vehicles.
4	districts used <b>other</b> means to obtain vehicles.

### ACCIDENTS

14	traffic <b>accidents</b> occurred involving a student driver while in the traffic education vehicle.
0	persons were <b>killed</b> .
0	persons were <b>injured</b> .
\$18,396.35	<b>property damage</b> costs incurred.

### COST PER PUPIL

\$320.86	is the <b>average</b> per pupil cost. (District costs were partially offset by state reimbursement amounting to <b>\$86.36</b> per pupil.)
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\* This information was compiled from the 2004-05 Traffic Education Year End Reports completed by all high school districts conducting state-approved traffic education programs during the summer of 2004 and the school year 2004-05. If you have questions, please contact David Huff at (406) 444-4432 or e-mail at dhuff@mt.gov